

Abstract

It is an object of the present invention to provide a portable telephone in which a display portion can be used as a mirror and electric power can be saved under a key locked state. In the telephone according to the present invention, in a front surface of a display portion (10), a panel (8) that is brought
5 into a transparent state when voltage is not applied thereto, and is brought into a mirror surface state when voltage is applied is arranged. When the telephone is set to a key locked state, the panel (8) is brought to the mirror surface state and the display of the display portion (10) is turned off. Under a
10 specific condition that, for instance, a call is received in the key locked state, the panel (8) can be suitably brought to the transparent state and the display of the display portion (10) can be turned on. Under a key unlocked state, while any key is operated, at least the panel (8) is brought to the transparent state and the display of the display portion (10) is turned on. When the key is not operated
15 for a prescribed time, the panel (8) is brought to the mirror surface state and the display of the display portion (10) is turned off.